Coates Family Newsletter

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Dear Praying Friends,

Daniel and Tammy, servants of Jesus Christ, to all the saints in Christ Jesus which are in the United States of America, with the bishops and deacons: Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ. **These past months have been a time of trial and testing for us.** First of all, *Mrs. Tammy has broken a bone in her right*



foot. It was the fifth metatarsal, a difficult break to heal, common among athletes (and mothers?). The doctor recommended surgery from the beginning, but we are trying the cast first, and she is taking supplements to replace depleted minerals. Our prayer is that the break will not require surgery for healing. Another difficulty lately was *that I had to dismiss my associate pastor* for impropriety with young ladies, and he has returned to his home church. This problem seems to be a common trouble especially among the youth here; the Enemy despises and fights against purity, integrity, wholesomeness and true agape love. We continue to train our own children and the young people of our church in right paths. I hope by God's

grace that one day I may be able to write to this young man's home church, and say again as Paul did in 2 Timothy 1:11 "...and bring him with thee: for he is profitable to me for the ministry".

Despite the physical and spiritual attacks (or perhaps because of them) the Ministry continues to grow both numerically and spiritually. Some months back we had our Missions Conference, during which eleven people surrendered their lives to serve however the Lord would have them to, and we have seen many of those individuals begin soul winning, memorizing scripture, and exhibit new faithfulness to the Lord in their lives. A few have been struggling since then, as well. Please pray for all of our people as their faith grows, and for us as we minister to them. We have added two new families, one of which saw FOUR of their teen children come to Christ and THREE baptized.

In June, the church will celebrate our FOURTH Anniversary! We are also looking forward to hosting several guests this summer, including some college students learning Spanish, churches taking their folks on short term mission trips, another missionary coming to visit us personally, and some folks that found us on the internet and want to support someone in Guatemala. What a blessing!

Thank you all again for your Faithful Prayers and Support. We are so blessed to be a part of what God is doing in Guatemala.

Your Fellow-Servants,

Daniel Coates and Family

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